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M.Com. DEGREE (C.S.S.) EXAMINATION, MARCH 2015

First Semester

Faculty of Commerce

RM 01C 04—RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

(2012 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Weight: 30

Section A

Answer any five questions. Each question carries 1 weight.

- 1. Explain descriptive research.
- 2. What do you mean by research design?
- 3. What is a dependent variable?
- 4. What is a sample?
- 5. What you mean by reliability?
- 6. What is a research question?
- 7. What is a sampling design?
- 8. What is cross-sectional research design?

 $(5 \times 1 = 5)$

Section B

Answer any five questions. Each question carries 2 weight

- 9. What is a variable? Differentiate between extraneous and intervening variable.
- 10. Enumerate sample and census survey.
- 11. Differentiate interview schedule and a questionnaire.
- 12. Explain the different phases of research process.
- 13. What is a hypothesis? What are its types?
- 14. What are the advantages and disadvantages of questionnaire method of data collection?
- 15. What are the factors to be considered while selecting a research topic?
- 16. What are characteristics of a good research report?

 $(5 \times 2 = 10)$

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Section C

Answer any three questions. Each question carries 5 weight.

- 17. Explain the various methods of data collection.
- 18. Explain the various types of sampling.
- 19. What components are typically included in a research report?
- 20. What is an interview? What are the types of interview? Describe the advantages and disadvantages of interview method.
- 21. Bring out the role of case study method in research.
- 22. Write an essay on the various steps in a survey.

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